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SUBJECT: AFGHAN PARTICIPATION AT ISLAMIC FOREIGN
MINISTERS MEETING

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1. OUR PRINCIPAL CONCERN WITH RESPECT TO ISLAMIC
FOREIGN MINISTERS MEETING IS POSSIBILITY THAT QUESTION
OF ISRAELI SUSPENSION FROM THE UNGA MAY ARISE AS LAST
YEAR. STATE 87612 WHICH WAS PREPARED FOR AFRO-ARAB
FOREIGN MINISTERS MEETING AT DAKAR AND CONTAINS USEFUL
TALKING POINTS BEING REPEATED FOR YOUR USE WITH
ABDULLAH. ISSUE WAS NOT RAISED AT DAKAR MEETING AND
WE HAVE NO HARD INFORMATION THAT IT WILL BE RAISED AT
ISTANBUL. WHILE WE THUS DO NOT WISH TO DRAW UNDUE
ATTENTION TO THIS ISSUE ABDULLAH SHOULD KNOW OF
CONTINUING US CONCERNS AND STRONG VIEWS ON SUBJECT.

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2. WHILE ISRAELI SUSPENSION ISSUE WAS NOT RAISED AT DAKAR,

ISSUE OF ZIONISM AS RACISM WAS RAISED ALTHOUGH IN PRO
FORUM MANNER. DRAFT DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES CONDEMNED
ZIONISM AS ONE OF SEVERAL QUOTE ISM UNQUOTE INCLUDING
COLONIALISM AND IMPERIALISM AS A FORM OF RACIAL
DISCRIMINATION. SINCE ISSUE MAY COME UP AT ISLAMIC
FOREIGN MINISTERS MEETING SUGGEST YOU POINT OUT TO
ABDULLAH THAT CONTINUED REFERENCE TO ZIONISM AS RACISM
EITHER EXPLICITLY OR IMPLICITLY (REFERENCE TO UNGA RES
BY NUMBER) AT INTERNATIONAL MEETINGS CAN BE SELF
DEFEATING. US HAS MADE MAJOR EFFORT AT SEVENTH SPECIAL
UNGA SESSION AND CONTINUING AT UNCTAD IV TO OFFER
CONSTRUCTIVE PROPOSALS TO MEET PRESSING ECONOMIC
PROBLEMS OF LDCS. (YOU CAN USE FORTHCOMING CIRCULAR
ON UNCTAD TO ILLUSTRATE THIS.) US PUBLIC AND CONGRESS
MAY NOT BE AS RESPONSIVE IN FUTURE ON NORTH-SOUTH
ECONOMIC ISSUES IN UN SYSTEM IF WE DO NOT RECEIVE
CAREFUL CONSIDERATION OF OUR VIEWS ON KEY POLITICAL
ISSUES IMPORTANT TO US IN UN SYSTEM. YOU SHOULD
REVIEW US POSITION ON ZIONISM AS RACISM ISSUE
USING STATE 259569 (75).

3. SUGGEST YOU ALSO REVIEW GENERAL GUIDANCE ON PUERTO
RICO AND KOREA (STATE 49330 AND 98185) WITH FOREIGN
MINISTER. IN LIGHT OF ITS POSSIBLE IMPACT ON NON-ALIGNED
COORDINATING COMMITTEE IN ALGIERS WE WOULD BE
PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN ANY OTHER INDICATIONS YOU
CAN GET AS TO WHETHER MEETING WILL BE OPEN TO NON-MEMBERS
OF COMMITTEE (PARA 1 REFTTEL).

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